

**AN ORDINANCE**

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**BY PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2005 (INTERGOVERNMENTAL GRANT FUND) BUDGET, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE, BY ADDING TO ANTICIPATIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,400,000 FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY FOR CONTINUATION OF THE HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA (HIDTA) TASK FORCE AND CONTINUE DISRUPTION OF DRUG TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS,** the Atlanta Police Department has been an active participant in the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) task force for the past ten years, and

**WHEREAS,** the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy grants funding to local task forces responsible for disrupting and dismantling violent drug trafficking organizations, and

**WHEREAS,** these federal funds require a 'pass through' agency to disburse payments for task force expenses that are completely federally funded, and

**WHEREAS,** the Georgia Bureau of Investigation has acted as 'pass through' agency for this program but has opted to no longer do so, and

**WHEREAS,** the Atlanta Police Department has been selected to serve as the 'pass through' agency in place of the GBI, and

**WHEREAS,** federal grant funds to fund task force operations will now be awarded to the Atlanta Police Department,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA**

**Section one:** that the 2005 (Intergovernmental Grant Fund) Budget, Department of Police be and is hereby amended as follows:

**ADD TO ANTICIPATIONS**

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High Intensity Drug Trafficking Task Force

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\$5,400,000

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## ADD TO APPROPRIATIONS

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High Intensity Drug Trafficking Task Force

71*****	Personal Services	\$54,900
72*****	Operating Expenses	<u>5,345,100</u>
		\$5,400,000

**Section two:** that all ORDINANCES or parts of ORDINANCES in conflict with the terms contained herein are hereby repealed.

# ***Legislative White Paper***

**Committee of Purview: Public Safety and Legal Administration**

**Caption AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2005 (INTERGOVERNMENTAL GRANT FUND) BUDGET, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE, BY ADDING TO ANTICIPATIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,400,000 FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA (HIDTA) TASK FORCE AND CONTINUE DISRUPTION OF DRUG TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**Council Meeting Date: May 2, 2005**

**Legislation Title: HIDTA Appropriations**

**Requesting Dept.: Police**

**Contract Type: Grant**

**Source Selection: Not applicable**

**Bids/Proposals Due: Not applicable**

**Invitations Issued: Not applicable**

**Number of Bids/ Not applicable**

**Proposals Received: Not applicable**

**Bidders/Proponents: Not applicable**

**Justification Statement:** The Georgia Bureau of Investigation has opted not to continue to act as the pass through agency for federal HIDTA grant funds. To assure continued operation of this highly effective crime fighting task force, the Atlanta Police Department will accept the role of pass through agency for the task force. In essence this means that the Department will be the recipient of federal grant funds and will pay the expenses associated with the operation of the task force. These expenses include building rental, vehicle operation and maintenance, cell phones for task force officers, background check costs, and personnel costs.

**Background:** The Atlanta HIDTA was organized in 1995 and has been tasked with the disruption and elimination of drug trafficking organizations operating in the metropolitan Atlanta area. Initially, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation acted as the pass through agency for the federal funds, but now the GBI has opted to pass on this responsibility. To assure that this highly effective program continues, the Atlanta Police

Department is now assuming the role of pass through agency for federal funds. This paper anticipates and appropriates grant funds from prior years that were awarded but unspent. In future years the Department will receive \$3.8 million per year for program continuation.

**Fund Account Center:** To be assigned by the Department of Finance upon award of the grants.

**Source of Funds:** White House Office of National Drug Control Policy

**Fiscal Impact:** None, 100% grant funded

**Term of Contract:** One year, renewable, contingent on federal funding.

**Method of Cost Recovery:** Not applicable

**Approvals:**

DOF:

DOL:

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